REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application, with Claims 1, 8, and 15 being independent.

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTIONS

Claims 1-20 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious over claims 1-30 of U.S. Patent No. 6,983,466 (Miller et al.). Without conceding the propriety of the rejection, Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer with respect to the Miller et al. patent, thereby obviating the grounds for the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

Since no other issues remain, claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1–20 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the subject application. Should any matter remain unresolved, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone conference with the Examiner to resolve any outstanding matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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